

# APPEAL TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

**"Let us alleviate human suffering and preserve life--not help to destroy it."**

As a result of receiving hundreds of thousands of letters, cables and messages through various sources containing heart-broken appeals, prayers and pleas from the people of our mother countries, we, the undersigned editors and publishers, have concluded to place this appeal before the great American people on behalf of our readers.

The readers of our newspapers are vitally affected, almost without exception, by this disastrous conflict of the European nations. Their brothers, their sisters, parents, children or relatives live in the warring countries. This does not mean that the American people as a whole is not vitally affected, but our readers are more closely linked through the bonds of blood relationship with the peoples of countries now plunged in the depths of barbaric warfare. Each day's mail with its news of the pitiful progress of the war, brings some new and bitter anguish to the hearts of our people.

The pleas of the millions of widowed mothers, the appeals of the fatherless children and orphans and the prayers of the starving thousands of Europe directed to us, justifies us, we believe, in making this appeal in the name of humanity and justice.

**WE** appeal to the American people, to the high minded and courageous American press, and to the American manufacturer of powder, shrapnel and cartridges, and we appeal to the workmen engaged in the plants devoted to the manufacture of ammunition for use by the nations at war, to im-

mediately cease making powder, shrapnel and cartridges destined to destroy our brothers, widow our sisters and mothers and orphan their children as well as destroy forever the priceless possessions handed down by our ancestors.

We appeal particularly to the American manufacturers and their workmen engaged in manufacturing any of these articles, to suspend at once the manufacture of powder and bullets which are being made for the cruel and inhuman purpose of mutilating and destroying humanity.

We appeal individually to the workmen of such factories, even at the sacrifice of their positions, to go on record as being unalterably opposed to being employed for the purpose of manufacturing ammunition to shatter the bodies and blot out the lives of their own blood relatives.

**THE** honor of the American people, the integrity of the Nation, the standing of our manufacturers and the patriotism and manhood of the workmen, demand that the entire world be shown, once and forever, that money soaked with the blood of humanity cannot purchase these qualities.

We ask the American people, therefore, in the name of humanity and a true spirit of neutrality to do everything in their power as individuals and collectively as a Nation to influence the manufac-

turers and workmen in the United States, engaged in the manufacture of powder and bullets for use by any of the warring countries of the world, to end this manufacture, the selling and the shipping of such materials.

We appeal to you, and every reader, to help us save our brothers abroad from further destruction. Let us Americans rise with courage and decision to our responsibility.

**FIRST, we must stop the wholesale manufacture of ammunition for profit, and thus end our own participation in the war.**

**THEN, we can insist that Europe heed our demand for peace. Stop your work on powder, shrapnel and cannon.**

**Make your will felt through resolutions of your societies, by appeal to your local press, by action in your churches, by letters to your representatives in public office.**

**Our participation must stop now and then our influence for justice and righteousness can help end the war.**

The cost of this advertisement has been voluntarily given in the shape of small contributions by our people, who are actuated by a sense of humanity and justice and a patriotic desire not to have this peace-loving Nation directly or indirectly the cause of further

## The following is the resolution signed by the publishers authorizing this appeal to the AMERICAN PEOPLE:

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